ition Treaties is to combat all crimes including organized crimes such as terrorism, drug trafficking and economic crimes by facilitating the availability of fugitive criminals for trial.

(b) Seven (7) fugitive criminals have been extradited to India duing the period 1995—99. India has also made requests for extradition of 10 other fugitive criminals, which are under consideration of various countries. India has extradited 4 fugitive criminals from India to other countries during the same period.

Eviction of Illegally occupied Land

1568. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries who have illegally occupied the Indian land togetherwith the area of such land and since when the same has been occupied; and

(b) whether Government have made any effort to vacate any part of the said land and whether any success has been achieved; if so, to what extent and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH: (a) and (b) The area under the forcible and illegal occupation of Pakistan is approximately 78,000 sq. kms. There is in addition, an area of approximately 38,000 sq. kms. which is under the illegal occupation of China. Following the so-called "Sino-Pak Boundary Agreement" of 1963, Pakistan has illegally ceded another 5,180 sq. kms. of Indian territory to China.

Government is committed to ensure that the territorial integrity of India is not compromised under any circumstances. Under the Simla Agreement and the Lahore Declaration, Government is committed to resolving all issues with Pakistan through peaceful negotiations and direct bilateral dialogue.

Discussion on the boundary question with China are conducted within the framework of the India-China Joint Working Group (JWG) and its sub group, the India China Expert Group (EG). Both India and China are committed to working towards a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable settlement of the boundary question.

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